

POLITICS IN WEST HAS WILSON BRAND

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CHANGE IN THE SITUATION DUE TO LUSITANIA AFFAIR

Aspirants for G. O. P. Nomination Continue Activity—People Little Interested in Defense Issue.

BY N. O. MESSENGER.

CHICAGO, Ill., September 10.—"What! Wait until I can catch my breath and we will sit down and talk it all over. This gallivanting around the country is not what it is cracked up to be—living in sleeping cars, standing in dining cars, 'broad times' and contending at tourist-crowded hotels for accommodations."

But one certainly does get some new angles on conditions in the west cross-continent country. The Star's correspondent has traversed; one attains conception of a different viewpoint and is made aware of other mental processes. "For a verity, and it is to be deplored that the east does not get more in touch with the west."

Not that the west cares a rap about it. On the contrary, the west is a more thoughtful of interest displayed by the east in its affairs and sensitive lest it might seem to be patronized, but it certainly would do some easterners a whole lot of good, and especially some politicians, if the east who think they hold the political destinies of the country in the hollow of their hands, to come out west and look around a while.

Only One Brand of Politics.

Speaking of politics, there is only one brand of democratic politics—President Wilson's. He is the alpha and omega of his party and daily growing in favor with republicans. One might write a page and not say anything more about the democratic situation than that.

William J. Bryan has utterly failed to make any headway against the President. His propaganda is regarded in the west as a "gate receipt" proposition entirely, and absolutely without political effect. He is a grand man on the chautauque circuit, but President Wilson will hold the democratic presidency.

The republicans appear to be in a quandary. Their party consists of a group of units, controlled by state legislatures and local interests which will clash in convention. There is no one towering, dominating figure among them who can in any way present an order of recent achievement to match President Wilson. Furthermore, the President has been so successful in his campaign that the republicans haven't any issues, for the moment. The tariff question is in abeyance, and only to become vital in certain contingencies.

The war abroad is doing more for wool, lead, sugar, cattle and wheat than the highest standard tariff ever devised could accomplish. The republicans are looking to the future, but the trouble is it is a future which may arrive before election day and in time to do them any good.

Republican With Fighting Chance.

As to candidates for the presidency, there is no question that Associate Justice Hughes of the United States Supreme Court is regarded as the one man who might give them a fighting chance in 1916. None of them dare hope that he will take it.

Former Senator Burton of Ohio is the only man who is doing any real campaigning for the nomination. He wants that nomination and he is working for it. He is like the Chicago lad who answered the lawyer's advertisement for an office boy: "Dere lawyer, I wants ter be an office boy. It do be all hard times."

I have crossed Mr. Burton's trail all the way from here to the Rockies. He has made good impressions everywhere, but I am told has not "signed up" any contracts for delivery of delegates. His judgment would be that Mr. Burton is a formidable candidate with Justice Hughes eliminated, and that he will have the Fairbanks and Sherman booms some unhappy moments. At any rate, he is a positive candidate, and in the present state of republican desuetude that counts for something.

By the way, that leaves an opening in Ohio for the fight for the senatorship. Myron T. Herrick, Harry Daugherty and former Senator Charles Dick are to contest for the nomination. But the boom of Senator Sherman of this state will have to be taken into account. Active work in neighboring states is in hand now.

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and decide upon the candidate. Then came the Lusitania tragedy and the German crisis, with the attention of the country fixed upon one central figure, President Wilson, and actuated by one dominating thought, patriotism. Later, and still going on, the sharp racial differences in the American population, bitterness on one side leading to resentment and threats of political reprisals on the other, with Wilson still tall pine in a clearing.

While the bull moose and progressive have come back to the republican party, bear this in mind: They have come back as progressives and not as reactionaries. Hence will be a determinedly opposed to the standpoint element and policies as ever. Their presence in the old republican fold is to try to secure the nomination of a mid-course, progressive republican candidate for whom they can vote as republicans. But if the ultra conservatives control, many of them will prefer Wilson to a reactionary republican.

May Aid His Own Boom.

This will notably be the case if President Wilson does what it is generally reported he intends to do—recommend the raising of some of the tariff schedules, through his trades commission's reports, as protection against cheap foreign goods after the war.

As to national preparedness, it is quite clear that there is much missionary work to be done in the west. And a great deal will depend upon who takes it. The less that organized effort under suspicion of being incited by manufacturers, has to do with the effort the greater success.

In my judgment President Wilson will have to put his shoulder to the wheel and give the movement his personal endorsement. A few speeches in the west would work wonders. There is a Liverpool was Dr. C. B. Banks of Memphis, Tenn., veterinary, who was aboard the Nicolian when she was sunk. Dr. Banks when asked about the sinking of the submarine, declined to discuss that phase of the matter, but confirmed the fact that the patrol boat did appear flying the American flag, and that this flag was lowered before the firing began.

AMERICAN SHIPPING NOW SECOND ONLY TO BRITISH

Greater Than Norwegian, Italian, French and Dutch Combined, Says Commerce Department.

The total merchant tonnage of the United States today is exceeded only by the merchant shipping under the British flag, declares the Department of Commerce, placing the total shipping of the United States in foreign and domestic trade as 8,319,486 gross tons, second only to England, with approximately 21,275,000 tons. The American shipping, which includes coastwise, river and lake trade, is greater than the merchant tonnage under the Norwegian, French, Italian and Dutch flags combined.

"American shipping has increased at a most remarkable rate in the last year or so," said Acting Secretary of Commerce Edwin F. Sweet today. "But it must be distinctly borne in mind that I am speaking of the present, and guarantee for the future cannot be given. Temporarily the American shipping is taking exceedingly high rank, but the condition may be in nowise a permanent one."

Future Depends on Policy.

The future of American shipping after the war is over will depend upon the maritime policy adopted by other nations as well as that of the United States. Economic conditions arising out of the length and strain of the war and which cannot now be foreseen will also be a great factor.

The increase in almost wholly confined to the Atlantic ocean, where American merchant shipping on June 30 was 4,440,835 gross tons, an increase of 427,481 tons. Pacific coast shipping was 1,122,317 tons, an increase of 21,341 tons. River and lake shipping was 2,822,222 tons, an increase of 64,935 tons.

Two Wills Filed for Probate.

The will of Philip E. Rishel, who was killed at the Bethlehem steel works, where he was employed, August 25, has been filed for probate. The testator served in the United States Navy and later held a commission as lieutenant in the Greek navy. The will, dated September 15, 1910, devises the entire estate to his wife, Julia H. Rishel. Attorney Paul E. Leach represents the estate.

By the terms of the will of Daniel A. Driscoll, dated July 13, 1915, all his property is left to his daughter, Nellie C. Driscoll. She is also named as executrix.

J. D. Baltimore Flies High.

J. D. Baltimore, a teacher in the Armstrong Manual Training School of this city, who is in Atlantic City on his vacation, recently made a trip in the hydroaeroplane which goes up there daily. Mr. Baltimore has been in the service of the schools for many years. He has made the Fairbanks and Sherman booms some unhappy moments. At any rate, he is a positive candidate, and in the present state of republican desuetude that counts for something.

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CONFIRMS SINKING OF GERMAN U-BOAT

Passenger Aboard Lapland Witnesses Destruction of Submarine.

NEW YORK, September 10.—Confirmation of the London report that a German submarine was sunk August 19, while shelling the British steamer Nicolian, was received here today with the arrival of the steamer Lapland. It was also learned that the British patrol boat which sank the submarine flew an American flag while approaching the scene. Just before she was ready to open up with her guns the American flag fluttered down to her deck and the British ensign was hoisted in its place.

This German submarine was sunk August 19, the day the Arabic was torpedoed and not far from the scene of that tragic event. This gave rise to the report and belief in Great Britain that the Arabic's assailant had been sent to the bottom. On board the Lapland, which arrived here today from Liverpool, was Dr. C. B. Banks of Memphis, Tenn., veterinary, who was aboard the Nicolian when she was sunk. Dr. Banks when asked about the sinking of the submarine, declined to discuss that phase of the matter, but confirmed the fact that the patrol boat did appear flying the American flag, and that this flag was lowered before the firing began.

Dr. Banks' Statement.

"We were within a few hours run of the Arabic when she was sunk," said Dr. Banks, "and we heard her wireless call for assistance, the call reaching us at 2:15 a.m. Just one hour and ten minutes after we had picked up the S. O. S. call from the steamship Dunleavy. At 11:15 a.m. we had a similar call from the British steamship Ben Brink."

"At 2:30 p.m. we sighted a submarine about one mile ahead of us and almost immediately heard a shot, evidently a blank, calling on us to stop. We started a wireless call for help and then the submarine turned loose on us with shrapnel, the second shot tearing away our wireless apparatus. By this time the submarine was within sixty yards of us, and she gave out captain twenty minutes to get the crew into the boats. The last boat, in which I took refuge with the captain, was hardly clear of the ship when the submarine opened on the steamer with two guns, fully penetrating the Nicolian. Fortunately only two found a mark below the water line."

British Flag Raised.

"The patrol boat which had been coming up was then within range, and when the British flag was substituted for the American, the submarine turned a gun on her and fired several shots. The British admiral has placed severe restrictions on all officers and crew of her ships, consequently I cannot discuss anything that happened on the patrol boat on which we took refuge."

New Faculty Members.

Gonzaga's faculty numbers several new members. Rev. Henry J. Hagen, S. J., professor of sophomores, was professor of classics for five years at Canisius College, Buffalo, N. Y. Mr. Klokke, S. J., was stationed at Boston College High School. His stay there was marked by the foundation of a high school magazine, which exchanges with all the leading high schools of the country. Mr. McCarthy, S. J., faculty director of athletics, is preparing a big football schedule that will take in the leading high schools of the city.

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THREE SCHOLARSHIPS TO G. U. TO BE GRANTED

Gonzaga College Faculty Makes Announcement—J. M. Regan Wins Course at School.

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15c Oil of Citronella..... 10c
30c Sharp & Dohme's Seidlitz Powders, 1 doz..... 16c
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30c Djer Kiss Talcum..... 23c
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75c to \$1.00 Muslin Underwear, 55c

50c Mixed Chocolates..... 29c
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